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Indiana's preliminary unemployment rate is 5.5% for February compared to National rate of 6.4%

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Indiana's non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for February is 5.5 percent, nine-tenths of a percentage point below the national rate of 6.4 percent, Alan D. Degner, Commissioner for the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, announced today. The number of Hoosiers employed during February 2003 was 2,973,400.

Indiana's February unemployment rate was lower than Illinois, 7.1 percent; Michigan, 7.2 percent; Ohio, 6.6 percent; and Kentucky at 6.5 percent.

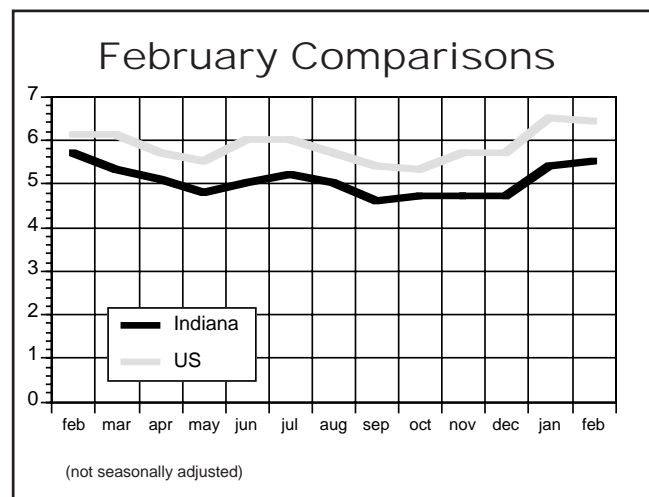
"Although Indiana's unemployment rate reflects the country's struggling economy, we are seeing some recovery in the service-providing sector," commented Degner.

The monthly survey of 7,500 Hoosier employers reports payroll employment at 2,842,800 a decrease of 4,200 from one year ago and 10,500 more than last month. Payroll employment is an estimate of non-agricultural jobs in Indiana businesses. It differs from labor force employment which is used in the calculation of the unemployment rate by not including the self-employed and agricultural workers. In addition, payroll employment includes all those who work in Indiana, while the unemployment rate is calculated by those who live in Indiana.

Manufacturing employment totals 582,300 in February, a decrease of 1,300 from last year. Motor vehicle manufacturing accounts for 13,400 jobs, 2,400 more than one year ago. Manufacturing of motor vehicle parts totals 81,500. Machinery manufacturing in February accounts for 44,300 Hoosier jobs, 300 less than January.

Construction employment totals 123,800 a decrease of 2,000 from last month. Of that, heavy construction reports 12,200 jobs, an decrease of 1,100 from last year.

Service producing employment totals 2,130,000 in February, 7,000 more than last year. Transportation and public utilities total 119,500, 1,100 less than January.



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Retail trade totals 335,100, 1,400 more than a year ago. Of that, general merchandise stores report employment of 74,000, or 1,700 less than last year.

Indiana's estimated labor force (the number of people 16 years of age and older who are able and available for work) totals 3,146,300 in February 2003. An estimated 2,973,400 Hoosiers are employed and 172,900 are unemployed.

Indiana's labor force for February 2002 totaled 3,126,700. Hoosiers employed one year ago is estimated at 2,943,800 and February 2002 unemployed in Indiana totaled 182,900. Indiana's estimated unemployment rate one year ago was 5.9 percent, compared with the national unemployment rate of 6.1 percent in February 2002.*

Industry Payroll Employment

Selected Categories	February 2003	Change from Jan. 2003	Change from Feb. 2002
Goods Producing	712,800	-4,200	-11,200
•Construction	123,800	-2,000	-9,700
•Manufacturing	582,300	-2,100	-1,300
Service Producing	2,130,000	+14,700	+7,000
•Retail Trade	335,100	-200	+1,400

*Due to an expansion in the Current Population Survey (CPS), mandated by Congress, estimates for June 2001 (revised) and later at both the state and substate levels may not be fully comparable with those of earlier periods. In analyzing data, be aware that over-the-year comparisons, may differ slightly from comparisons that would have been made using data without the sample expansion. More detailed information can be found at <http://stats.bls.gov/launews1.htm>.

Indiana vs. U.S. Unemployment Rates February 2003

		Not Seasonally Adjusted				Seasonally Adjusted			
		February 2003	January 2003	February 2002		February 2003	January 2003	December 2002	February 2002
INDIANA	Labor Force	3,146,300	3,146,000	3,126,700		3,181,000	3,191,200	3,177,500	3,161,200
	Employed	2,973,400	2,977,100	2,943,800		3,025,300	3,039,200	3,021,900	2,995,100
	Unemployed	172,900	168,900	182,900		155,700	152,000	155,600	166,100
	Rate	5.5	5.4	5.9		4.9	4.8	4.9	5.3
US	Rate	6.4	6.5	6.1		5.8	5.7	6.0	5.6

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

CPS BENCHMARK: 2002

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EMPLOYMENT BENCHMARK: 2002

THESE ESTIMATES ARE PREPARED IN COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) AND HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO THE CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY (CPS) FOR USE IN ALLOCATING FEDERAL FUNDS. BECAUSE OF IRREGULAR FLUCTUATIONS IN MONTH TO MONTH CHANGES, THE READER SHOULD USE CAUTION WHEN VIEWING THESE ESTIMATES AS INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC CHANGE.

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE	Seasonally Adjusted RATE
U.S.					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	145,693,000	136,433,000	9,260,000	6.4	5.8
January 2003 (Revised)	145,301,000	135,907,000	9,395,000	6.5	5.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	144,266,000	135,443,000	8,823,000	6.1	5.6
INDIANA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	3,146,300	2,973,400	172,900	5.5	4.9
January 2003 (Revised)	3,146,000	2,977,100	168,900	5.4	4.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	3,126,700	2,943,800	182,900	5.9	5.3
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS					
BLOOMINGTON MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	64,330	61,940	2,390	3.7	
January 2003 (Revised)	62,270	59,960	2,310	3.7	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	64,210	61,770	2,440	3.8	
ELKHART-GOSHEN MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	98,050	93,390	4,660	4.8	
January 2003 (Revised)	98,260	93,710	4,550	4.6	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	93,740	88,290	5,450	5.8	
EVANSVILLE MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	162,400	155,230	7,170	4.4	
January 2003 (Revised)	163,410	156,100	7,310	4.5	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	163,570	156,110	7,460	4.6	
HENDERSON CO. KY (EVANSVILLE MSA)					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	23,790	22,450	1,340	5.6	
January 2003 (Revised)	23,770	22,440	1,330	5.6	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	24,280	22,620	1,660	6.8	
FORT WAYNE MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	270,640	255,970	14,670	5.4	
January 2003 (Revised)	271,680	257,450	14,230	5.2	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	267,270	251,310	15,960	6.0	
GARY PMSA*					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	298,820	280,750	18,070	6.0	
January 2003 (Revised)	298,360	280,640	17,720	5.9	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	302,790	279,120	23,670	7.8	
INDIANAPOLIS MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	876,600	833,720	42,880	4.9	
January 2003 (Revised)	880,470	838,280	42,190	4.8	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	879,600	838,280	41,320	4.7	
KOKOMO MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	50,750	47,650	3,100	6.1	
January 2003 (Revised)	51,050	47,950	3,100	6.1	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	50,230	46,850	3,380	6.7	
LAFAYETTE MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	95,260	91,120	4,140	4.3	
January 2003 (Revised)	93,200	89,260	3,940	4.2	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	95,090	90,920	4,170	4.4	
MUNCIE MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	61,420	57,410	4,010	6.5	
January 2003 (Revised)	60,680	56,770	3,910	6.4	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	61,590	57,880	3,710	6.0	
SOUTH BEND MSA					
February 2003 (Preliminary)	137,250	130,370	6,880	5.0	
January 2003 (Revised)	136,910	130,110	6,800	5.0	
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	135,030	127,300	7,730	5.7	

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
TERRE HAUTE MSA				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	70,800	66,300	4,500	6.4
January 2003 (Revised)	70,780	66,490	4,290	6.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	70,170	65,100	5,070	7.2
NEW ALBANY AREA (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	123,010	117,090	5,920	4.8
January 2003 (Revised)	123,700	117,770	5,930	4.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	122,220	115,570	6,650	5.4
COUNTIES				
ADAMS (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	16,170	15,400	770	4.8
January 2003 (Revised)	16,210	15,480	730	4.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,130	15,120	1,010	6.3
ALLEN (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	180,860	171,210	9,650	5.3
January 2003 (Revised)	181,540	172,190	9,350	5.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	178,390	168,080	10,310	5.8
BARTHOLOMEW				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	37,930	36,140	1,790	4.7
January 2003 (Revised)	37,610	35,940	1,670	4.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	37,500	35,510	1,990	5.3
BENTON				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	4,715	4,430	285	6.0
January 2003 (Revised)	4,830	4,555	275	5.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	4,650	4,320	330	7.1
BLACKFORD				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	6,275	5,710	565	9.0
January 2003 (Revised)	6,245	5,710	535	8.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	6,100	5,595	505	8.3
BOONE (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	25,610	24,640	970	3.8
January 2003 (Revised)	25,740	24,770	970	3.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	25,670	24,770	900	3.5
BROWN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	7,985	7,430	555	6.9
January 2003 (Revised)	7,960	7,395	565	7.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	7,840	7,300	540	6.9
CARROLL				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	12,060	11,440	620	5.1
January 2003 (Revised)	12,060	11,480	580	4.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,800	11,180	620	5.3
CASS				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	20,100	18,810	1,290	6.4
January 2003 (Revised)	19,940	18,670	1,270	6.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	19,780	18,410	1,370	6.9
CLARK (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	54,300	51,760	2,540	4.7
January 2003 (Revised)	54,660	52,060	2,600	4.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	54,040	51,080	2,960	5.5
CLAY (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	12,620	11,740	880	7.0
January 2003 (Revised)	12,630	11,780	850	6.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	12,510	11,530	980	7.8
CLINTON (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	16,520	15,640	880	5.3
January 2003 (Revised)	16,190	15,330	860	5.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,390	15,620	770	4.7
CRAWFORD				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	5,730	5,235	495	8.6
January 2003 (Revised)	5,730	5,240	490	8.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	5,665	5,110	555	9.8

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DAVIESS				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	13,790	13,250	540	3.9
January 2003 (Revised)	13,900	13,340	560	4.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,610	12,950	660	4.9
DEARBORN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	24,110	22,660	1,450	6.0
January 2003 (Revised)	24,030	22,680	1,350	5.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,300	22,140	1,160	5.0
DECATUR				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	15,700	15,080	620	3.9
January 2003 (Revised)	15,620	14,980	640	4.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,280	14,740	540	3.5
DEKALB (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	21,890	20,570	1,320	6.0
January 2003 (Revised)	21,980	20,690	1,290	5.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	21,710	20,200	1,510	7.0
DELAWARE (MUNCIE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	61,420	57,410	4,010	6.5
January 2003 (Revised)	60,680	56,770	3,910	6.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	61,590	57,880	3,710	6.0
DUBOIS				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	22,860	21,980	880	3.8
January 2003 (Revised)	22,890	22,110	780	3.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,320	21,470	850	3.8
ELKHART (ELKHART-GOSHEN)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	98,050	93,390	4,660	4.8
January 2003 (Revised)	98,260	93,710	4,550	4.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	93,740	88,290	5,450	5.8
FAYETTE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	10,200	9,270	930	9.1
January 2003 (Revised)	9,990	9,040	950	9.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	10,290	9,080	1,210	11.7
FLOYD (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	38,500	36,910	1,590	4.1
January 2003 (Revised)	38,770	37,120	1,650	4.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	38,340	36,430	1,910	5.0
FOUNTAIN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	8,445	7,950	495	5.9
January 2003 (Revised)	8,525	8,055	470	5.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	8,410	7,825	585	7.0
FRANKLIN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	11,890	10,960	930	7.8
January 2003 (Revised)	11,950	11,040	910	7.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,590	10,710	880	7.6
FULTON				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	9,320	8,485	835	8.9
January 2003 (Revised)	9,400	8,515	885	9.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,125	8,285	840	9.2
GIBSON				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	18,810	18,090	720	3.8
January 2003 (Revised)	18,520	17,800	720	3.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,100	17,360	740	4.1
GRANT				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	35,050	32,230	2,820	8.0
January 2003 (Revised)	34,480	32,150	2,330	6.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	34,770	32,010	2,760	8.0
GREENE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,000	12,680	1,320	9.4
January 2003 (Revised)	13,920	12,630	1,290	9.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,680	12,400	1,280	9.4

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HAMILTON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	109,640	106,580	3,060	2.8
January 2003 (Revised)	110,150	107,160	2,990	2.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	109,930	107,160	2,770	2.5
HANCOCK (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	30,890	29,420	1,470	4.7
January 2003 (Revised)	30,990	29,580	1,410	4.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	30,830	29,590	1,240	4.0
HARRISON (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	18,860	17,900	960	5.1
January 2003 (Revised)	18,920	18,000	920	4.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,730	17,670	1,060	5.7
HENDRICKS (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	59,710	57,420	2,290	3.8
January 2003 (Revised)	59,930	57,730	2,200	3.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	59,940	57,720	2,220	3.7
HENRY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	23,670	22,250	1,420	6.0
January 2003 (Revised)	23,280	21,880	1,400	6.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,210	21,650	1,560	6.7
HOWARD (KOKOMO MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	42,170	39,550	2,620	6.2
January 2003 (Revised)	42,420	39,800	2,620	6.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	41,720	38,890	2,830	6.8
HUNTINGTON (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	20,480	19,170	1,310	6.4
January 2003 (Revised)	20,660	19,280	1,380	6.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	20,090	18,820	1,270	6.3
JACKSON				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	22,270	21,140	1,130	5.1
January 2003 (Revised)	22,070	21,030	1,040	4.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	21,880	20,690	1,190	5.5
JASPER				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,570	13,500	1,070	7.3
January 2003 (Revised)	14,540	13,530	1,010	7.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,380	13,190	1,190	8.2
JAY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	10,860	9,820	1,040	9.6
January 2003 (Revised)	11,020	9,950	1,070	9.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	10,400	9,600	800	7.7
JEFFERSON				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,000	13,150	850	6.1
January 2003 (Revised)	13,750	12,940	810	5.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,840	12,880	960	7.0
JENNINGS				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,130	13,060	1,070	7.6
January 2003 (Revised)	13,990	12,980	1,010	7.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,990	12,830	1,160	8.3
JOHNSON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	65,130	62,530	2,600	4.0
January 2003 (Revised)	65,520	62,880	2,640	4.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	65,390	62,870	2,520	3.9
KNOX				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	18,920	18,130	790	4.2
January 2003 (Revised)	19,100	18,300	800	4.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,460	17,710	750	4.1
KOSCIUSKO				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	39,120	37,210	1,910	4.9
January 2003 (Revised)	38,980	37,190	1,790	4.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	38,620	36,530	2,090	5.4

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LAGRANGE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	15,990	15,220	770	4.8
January 2003 (Revised)	15,910	15,140	770	4.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,900	14,840	1,060	6.7
LAKE (GARY PMSA)*				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	223,210	209,110	14,100	6.3
January 2003 (Revised)	222,940	209,010	13,930	6.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	226,520	207,890	18,630	8.2
LA PORTE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	55,180	51,000	4,180	7.6
January 2003 (Revised)	55,470	51,320	4,150	7.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	54,250	49,970	4,280	7.9
LAWRENCE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	22,580	20,600	1,980	8.8
January 2003 (Revised)	22,510	20,510	2,000	8.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,380	20,150	2,230	9.9
MADISON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	64,650	60,640	4,010	6.2
January 2003 (Revised)	64,940	60,970	3,970	6.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	65,310	60,970	4,340	6.6
MARION (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	462,380	437,210	25,170	5.4
January 2003 (Revised)	464,460	439,610	24,850	5.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	463,820	439,600	24,220	5.2
MARSHALL				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	23,210	21,770	1,440	6.2
January 2003 (Revised)	23,470	22,010	1,460	6.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,580	21,280	1,300	5.7
MARTIN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	5,080	4,800	280	5.5
January 2003 (Revised)	5,130	4,830	300	5.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	5,105	4,690	415	8.1
MIAMI				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	16,310	14,730	1,580	9.7
January 2003 (Revised)	16,410	14,830	1,580	9.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,660	14,430	1,230	7.9
MONROE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	64,330	61,940	2,390	3.7
January 2003 (Revised)	62,270	59,960	2,310	3.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	64,210	61,770	2,440	3.8
MONTGOMERY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	17,360	16,640	720	4.2
January 2003 (Revised)	17,340	16,650	690	4.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	17,070	16,280	790	4.6
MORGAN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	35,520	33,550	1,970	5.5
January 2003 (Revised)	35,560	33,740	1,820	5.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	35,650	33,730	1,920	5.4
NEWTON				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	6,225	5,765	460	7.4
January 2003 (Revised)	6,240	5,800	440	7.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	6,110	5,625	485	7.9
NOBLE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	23,770	22,210	1,560	6.6
January 2003 (Revised)	23,750	22,200	1,550	6.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,580	21,760	1,820	7.7
OHIO (CINCINNATI MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	2,880	2,735	145	5.0
January 2003 (Revised)	2,880	2,740	140	4.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	2,780	2,670	110	3.9

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ORANGE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	8,560	7,670	890	10.4
January 2003 (Revised)	8,570	7,730	840	9.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	8,490	7,485	1,005	11.8
OWEN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	11,780	11,000	780	6.6
January 2003 (Revised)	11,730	10,970	760	6.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,470	10,730	740	6.4
PARKE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	7,220	6,740	480	6.7
January 2003 (Revised)	7,295	6,810	485	6.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	7,090	6,570	520	7.3
PERRY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	9,225	8,635	590	6.4
January 2003 (Revised)	9,195	8,700	495	5.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,100	8,620	480	5.3
PIKE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	6,275	5,935	340	5.4
January 2003 (Revised)	6,315	5,975	340	5.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	6,085	5,800	285	4.7
PORTER (GARY PMSA)*				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	75,610	71,640	3,970	5.2
January 2003 (Revised)	75,410	71,610	3,800	5.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	76,270	71,240	5,030	6.6
POSEY (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,490	13,900	590	4.1
January 2003 (Revised)	14,620	14,000	620	4.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,530	13,980	550	3.8
PULASKI				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	5,720	5,255	465	8.1
January 2003 (Revised)	5,770	5,340	430	7.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	5,565	5,115	450	8.0
PUTNAM				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	17,270	16,380	890	5.1
January 2003 (Revised)	17,100	16,090	1,010	5.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,900	16,020	880	5.2
RANDOLPH				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	11,980	10,890	1,090	9.1
January 2003 (Revised)	11,930	10,940	990	8.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,520	10,630	890	7.7
RIPLEY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	13,970	13,150	820	5.9
January 2003 (Revised)	14,050	13,240	810	5.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,570	12,850	720	5.3
RUSH				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	9,430	8,945	485	5.2
January 2003 (Revised)	9,530	9,050	480	5.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,180	8,745	435	4.7
SAINT JOSEPH (SOUTH BEND MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	137,250	130,370	6,880	5.0
January 2003 (Revised)	136,910	130,110	6,800	5.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	135,030	127,300	7,730	5.7
SCOTT (NEW ALBANY AREA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	11,360	10,530	830	7.3
January 2003 (Revised)	11,350	10,580	770	6.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,110	10,390	720	6.5
SHELBY (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	23,080	21,740	1,340	5.8
January 2003 (Revised)	23,190	21,860	1,330	5.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	23,050	21,850	1,200	5.2

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
SPENCER				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	10,650	9,970	680	6.4
January 2003 (Revised)	10,620	9,980	640	6.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	10,260	9,740	520	5.0
STARKE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	9,530	8,630	900	9.5
January 2003 (Revised)	9,560	8,720	840	8.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,530	8,430	1,100	11.5
STEUBEN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	15,980	14,750	1,230	7.7
January 2003 (Revised)	15,840	14,650	1,190	7.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,710	14,430	1,280	8.1
SULLIVAN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	9,375	8,765	610	6.5
January 2003 (Revised)	9,300	8,730	570	6.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	9,125	8,570	555	6.1
SWITZERLAND				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	3,765	3,490	275	7.3
January 2003 (Revised)	3,830	3,555	275	7.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	3,770	3,410	360	9.6
TIPPECANOE (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	78,730	75,470	3,260	4.1
January 2003 (Revised)	77,010	73,930	3,080	4.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	78,700	75,300	3,400	4.3
TIPTON (KOKOMO MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	8,580	8,100	480	5.6
January 2003 (Revised)	8,630	8,150	480	5.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	8,510	7,965	545	6.4
UNION				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	3,765	3,570	195	5.2
January 2003 (Revised)	3,775	3,575	200	5.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	3,780	3,505	275	7.3
VANDERBURGH (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	94,100	90,120	3,980	4.2
January 2003 (Revised)	94,850	90,710	4,140	4.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	94,750	90,600	4,150	4.4
VERMILLION (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	7,725	7,140	585	7.6
January 2003 (Revised)	7,730	7,160	570	7.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	7,655	7,015	640	8.4
VIGO (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	50,450	47,410	3,040	6.0
January 2003 (Revised)	50,420	47,540	2,880	5.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	50,010	46,560	3,450	6.9
WABASH				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	16,930	15,980	950	5.6
January 2003 (Revised)	16,920	16,030	890	5.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,840	15,670	1,170	7.0
WARREN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	4,105	3,880	225	5.5
January 2003 (Revised)	4,150	3,935	215	5.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	4,075	3,820	255	6.2
WARRICK (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	30,020	28,760	1,260	4.2
January 2003 (Revised)	30,170	28,950	1,220	4.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	30,020	28,920	1,100	3.7
WASHINGTON				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	11,540	10,620	920	8.0
January 2003 (Revised)	11,500	10,610	890	7.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,450	10,380	1,070	9.4

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
WAYNE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	36,610	34,100	2,510	6.9
January 2003 (Revised)	36,450	34,110	2,340	6.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	36,190	33,410	2,780	7.7
WELLS (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,620	13,990	630	4.3
January 2003 (Revised)	14,730	14,070	660	4.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,500	13,740	760	5.2
WHITE				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	12,040	11,000	1,040	8.6
January 2003 (Revised)	12,140	11,140	1,000	8.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,800	10,760	1,040	8.8
WHITLEY (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	16,630	15,630	1,000	6.0
January 2003 (Revised)	16,550	15,710	840	5.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,440	15,340	1,100	6.7
<u>CITIES (Population over 25,000)</u>				
ANDERSON CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	29,420	27,120	2,300	7.8
January 2003 (Revised)	29,550	27,270	2,280	7.7
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	29,760	27,270	2,490	8.4
BLOOMINGTON CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	33,620	32,090	1,530	4.6
January 2003 (Revised)	32,540	31,060	1,480	4.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	33,570	32,010	1,560	4.6
CARMEL CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	25,390	24,770	620	2.4
January 2003 (Revised)	25,510	24,900	610	2.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	25,470	24,910	560	2.2
COLUMBUS CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	18,670	17,710	960	5.1
January 2003 (Revised)	18,510	17,610	900	4.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,470	17,400	1,070	5.8
EAST CHICAGO CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	13,190	11,780	1,410	10.7
January 2003 (Revised)	13,170	11,780	1,390	10.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,570	11,710	1,860	13.7
ELKHART CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	27,090	25,370	1,720	6.4
January 2003 (Revised)	27,140	25,460	1,680	6.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	26,000	23,990	2,010	7.7
EVANSVILLE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	70,540	67,140	3,400	4.8
January 2003 (Revised)	71,110	67,580	3,530	5.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	71,030	67,490	3,540	5.0
FISHERS TOWN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	18,640	18,430	210	1.1
January 2003 (Revised)	18,740	18,540	200	1.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,720	18,530	190	1.0
FORT WAYNE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	102,380	95,600	6,780	6.6
January 2003 (Revised)	102,710	96,140	6,570	6.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	101,090	93,850	7,240	7.2
GARY CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	46,460	40,620	5,840	12.6
January 2003 (Revised)	46,370	40,600	5,770	12.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	48,100	40,380	7,720	16.1
GOSHEN CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,880	14,230	650	4.4
January 2003 (Revised)	14,910	14,270	640	4.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,210	13,450	760	5.4

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
GREENWOOD CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	20,530	19,940	590	2.9
January 2003 (Revised)	20,650	20,050	600	2.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	20,620	20,050	570	2.8
HAMMOND CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	39,250	36,660	2,590	6.6
January 2003 (Revised)	39,200	36,640	2,560	6.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	39,870	36,450	3,420	8.6
HIGHLAND CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	12,550	12,220	330	2.6
January 2003 (Revised)	12,540	12,210	330	2.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	12,590	12,150	440	3.5
HOBART CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	11,090	10,700	390	3.5
January 2003 (Revised)	11,090	10,700	390	3.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	11,160	10,640	520	4.7
INDIANAPOLIS CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	424,240	400,580	23,660	5.6
January 2003 (Revised)	426,130	402,770	23,360	5.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	425,540	402,770	22,770	5.3
JEFFERSONVILLE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	13,240	12,550	690	5.2
January 2003 (Revised)	13,330	12,620	710	5.3
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	13,190	12,380	810	6.1
KOKOMO CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	22,710	20,990	1,720	7.6
January 2003 (Revised)	22,840	21,120	1,720	7.5
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	22,490	20,630	1,860	8.3
LAFAYETTE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	27,940	26,810	1,130	4.1
January 2003 (Revised)	27,330	26,260	1,070	3.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	27,930	26,750	1,180	4.2
LAWRENCE TOWN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	15,710	14,930	780	5.0
January 2003 (Revised)	15,780	15,010	770	4.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	15,760	15,010	750	4.8
MARION CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,600	12,970	1,630	11.2
January 2003 (Revised)	14,280	12,930	1,350	9.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,480	12,880	1,600	11.0
MERRILLVILLE TOWN				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,120	13,690	430	3.0
January 2003 (Revised)	14,110	13,690	420	3.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,180	13,610	570	4.0
MICHIGAN CITY CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	17,170	15,390	1,780	10.3
January 2003 (Revised)	17,250	15,490	1,760	10.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,900	15,080	1,820	10.7
MISHAWAKA CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	25,040	23,840	1,200	4.8
January 2003 (Revised)	24,980	23,790	1,190	4.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	24,630	23,280	1,350	5.5
MUNCIE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	35,410	32,480	2,930	8.3
January 2003 (Revised)	34,980	32,120	2,860	8.2
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	35,450	32,740	2,710	7.6
NEW ALBANY CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	21,110	20,060	1,050	5.0
January 2003 (Revised)	21,270	20,180	1,090	5.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	21,060	19,800	1,260	6.0

AREA	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE
NOBLESVILLE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	17,240	16,710	530	3.0
January 2003 (Revised)	17,320	16,810	510	3.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	17,280	16,800	480	2.8
PORTAGE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	16,350	15,250	1,100	6.7
January 2003 (Revised)	16,300	15,250	1,050	6.4
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	16,560	15,170	1,390	8.4
RICHMOND CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	19,090	17,550	1,540	8.1
January 2003 (Revised)	18,990	17,560	1,430	7.6
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	18,900	17,200	1,700	9.0
SOUTH BEND CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	56,790	52,880	3,910	6.9
January 2003 (Revised)	56,630	52,760	3,870	6.8
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	56,020	51,630	4,390	7.8
TERRE HAUTE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	25,720	23,830	1,890	7.4
January 2003 (Revised)	25,690	23,900	1,790	7.0
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	25,550	23,400	2,150	8.4
VALPARAISO CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,460	13,870	590	4.1
January 2003 (Revised)	14,430	13,860	570	3.9
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,540	13,790	750	5.2
WEST LAFAYETTE CITY				
February 2003 (Preliminary)	14,820	14,030	790	5.3
January 2003 (Revised)	14,490	13,740	750	5.1
February 2002 (Benchmarked)	14,820	14,000	820	5.5

NOTES: 1) UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.
2) COUNTY DATA MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING.
3) AN EXPLANATION OF METHODOLOGY IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.
4) PRELIMINARY DATA WILL BE REVISED THE FOLLOWING MONTH.

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R A N K I N G O F C O U N T Y D A T A

FOR FEBRUARY 2003 (PRELIMINARY)

PREPARED APRIL 21, 2003

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	ORANGE	10.4	47	HENRY	6.0
2	MIAMI	9.7	48	RIPLEY	5.9
3	JAY	9.6	49	FOUNTAIN	5.9
4	STARKE	9.5	50	SHELBY	5.8
5	GREENE	9.4	51	TIPTON	5.6
6	FAYETTE	9.1	52	WABASH	5.6
7	RANDOLPH	9.1	53	MORGAN	5.5
8	BLACKFORD	9.0	54	MARTIN	5.5
9	FULTON	8.9	55	WARREN	5.5
10	LAWRENCE	8.8	56	MARION	5.4
11	CRAWFORD	8.6	57	PIKE	5.4
12	WHITE	8.6	58	ALLEN	5.3
13	PULASKI	8.1	59	CLINTON	5.3
14	GRANT	8.0	60	PORTER	5.2
15	WASHINGTON	8.0	61	RUSH	5.2
16	FRANKLIN	7.8	62	UNION	5.2
17	STEUBEN	7.7	63	PUTNAM	5.1
18	JENNINGS	7.6	64	CARROLL	5.1
19	LAPORTE	7.6	65	HARRISON	5.1
20	VERMILLION	7.6	66	JACKSON	5.1
21	NEWTON	7.4	67	SAINT JOSEPH	5.0
22	JASPER	7.3	68	OHIO	5.0
23	SCOTT	7.3	69	KOSCIUSKO	4.9
24	SWITZERLAND	7.3	70	LAGRANGE	4.8
25	CLAY	7.0	71	ADAMS	4.8
26	BROWN	6.9	72	ELKHART	4.8
27	WAYNE	6.9	73	HANCOCK	4.7
28	PARKE	6.7	74	BARTHOLOMEW	4.7
29	OWEN	6.6	75	CLARK	4.7
30	NOBLE	6.6	76	WELLS	4.3
31	DELAWARE	6.5	77	VANDERBURGH	4.2
32	SULLIVAN	6.5	78	WARRICK	4.2
33	CASS	6.4	79	KNOX	4.2
34	PERRY	6.4	80	MONTGOMERY	4.2
35	HUNTINGTON	6.4	81	TIPPECANOE	4.1
36	SPENCER	6.4	82	FLOYD	4.1
37	LAKE	6.3	83	POSEY	4.1
38	HOWARD	6.2	84	JOHNSON	4.0
39	MADISON	6.2	85	DECATUR	3.9
40	MARSHALL	6.2	86	DAVISS	3.9
41	JEFFERSON	6.1	87	HENDRICKS	3.8
42	BENTON	6.0	88	DUBOIS	3.8
43	DEARBORN	6.0	89	GIBSON	3.8
44	VIGO	6.0	90	BOONE	3.8
45	DEKALB	6.0	91	MONROE	3.7
46	WHITLEY	6.0	92	HAMILTON	2.8
				INDIANA	5.5

R A N K I N G O F C O U N T Y D A T A

FOR JANUARY 2003 (REVISED)

PREPARED APRIL 21, 2003

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	ORANGE	9.8	47	BENTON	5.7
2	JAY	9.7	48	VIGO	5.7
3	MIAMI	9.6	49	DEARBORN	5.6
4	FAYETTE	9.5	50	TIPTON	5.5
5	FULTON	9.4	51	FOUNTAIN	5.5
6	GREENE	9.3	52	PIKE	5.4
7	LAWRENCE	8.9	53	PERRY	5.4
8	STARKE	8.8	54	MARION	5.4
9	BLACKFORD	8.6	55	UNION	5.3
10	CRAWFORD	8.5	56	CLINTON	5.3
11	RANDOLPH	8.3	57	WABASH	5.3
12	WHITE	8.2	58	WARREN	5.2
13	WASHINGTON	7.7	59	ALLEN	5.1
14	FRANKLIN	7.6	60	MORGAN	5.1
15	STEBEN	7.5	61	RUSH	5.1
16	LAPORTE	7.5	62	WHITLEY	5.1
17	PULASKI	7.4	63	PORTER	5.0
18	VERMILLION	7.4	64	SAINT JOSEPH	5.0
19	SWITZERLAND	7.2	65	OHIO	4.9
20	JENNINGS	7.2	66	LAGRANGE	4.9
21	BROWN	7.1	67	HARRISON	4.9
22	NEWTON	7.0	68	CARROLL	4.8
23	JASPER	7.0	69	CLARK	4.8
24	GRANT	6.8	70	JACKSON	4.7
25	SCOTT	6.7	71	ELKHART	4.6
26	CLAY	6.7	72	KOSCIUSKO	4.6
27	HUNTINGTON	6.7	73	HANCOCK	4.5
28	PARKE	6.7	74	ADAMS	4.5
29	NOBLE	6.5	75	WELLS	4.5
30	OWEN	6.5	76	BARTHOLOMEW	4.4
31	DELAWARE	6.4	77	VANDEBURGH	4.4
32	WAYNE	6.4	78	POSEY	4.3
33	CASS	6.4	79	FLOYD	4.2
34	LAKE	6.2	80	KNOX	4.2
35	MARSHALL	6.2	81	DECATUR	4.1
36	HOWARD	6.2	82	DAVISS	4.1
37	SULLIVAN	6.1	83	WARRICK	4.0
38	MADISON	6.1	84	JOHNSON	4.0
39	SPENCER	6.0	85	TIPPECANOE	4.0
40	HENRY	6.0	86	MONTGOMERY	4.0
41	JEFFERSON	5.9	87	GIBSON	3.9
42	PUTNAM	5.9	88	BOONE	3.8
43	DEKALB	5.9	89	MONROE	3.7
44	MARTIN	5.8	90	HENDRICKS	3.7
45	SHELBY	5.7	91	DUBOIS	3.4
46	RIPLEY	5.7	92	HAMILTON	2.7
				INDIANA	5.4